IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Stephan Grunow et al. Docket No.: TI-35917

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Title: A Method of Forming a Stacked Interconnect Structure Between

Copper Lines of a Semiconductor Circuit

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL UNDER 37 CFR §1.116

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

The following amendments and remarks are offered in response to the Examiner's Office Action dated January 11, 2007. They are respectfully submitted as a full and complete response to that Action.

Please amend the above-referenced application as follows:

There are no **Amendments to the Specification**.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begin on page 2 of this paper.

There are no **Amendments to the Drawings**.

The **Remarks** begin on page 5.